

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
EASTERN DISTRICT OF MISSOURI
NORTHERN DIVISION

DAVID D. HIGHTOWER,)
Petitioner,)
v.) No. 2:22-cv-00053-SPM
MYLES STRID,)
Respondent.)

MEMORANDUM AND ORDER

This matter comes before the Court on its own motion. Petitioner David D. Hightower has filed a petition for writ of habeas corpus pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 2254. However, he has not filed a motion for leave to proceed in forma pauperis or paid the filing fee. *See* E.D. Mo. L.R. 2.01(B)(1) (“The Clerk may refuse to receive and file any pleading or document in any case until the applicable statutory fee is paid, except in cases accompanied by a completed application to proceed in forma pauperis”). Petitioner will therefore be directed to either file a motion for leave to proceed in forma pauperis or pay the full filing fee within **thirty (30) days** of the date of this order. If petitioner fails to comply, this action will be dismissed without prejudice and without further notice.

Accordingly,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the Clerk of Court shall send to petitioner a copy of its motion for leave to proceed in forma pauperis form.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that petitioner must either file a motion for leave to proceed in forma pauperis or pay the full filing fee within **thirty (30) days** of the date of this order.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that if petitioner fails to either file a motion for leave to proceed in forma pauperis or pay the full filing fee within **thirty (30) days** of the date of this order, the Court will dismiss this action without prejudice and without further notice.



SHIRLEY PADMORE MENSAH
UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE

Dated this 14th day of November, 2022.